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WHERE WILL YOU BE, WHEN... the SPIDER STRIKES!

SKINNY OR FAT, 15, 20, 30 OR 40 YEARS OF AGE

Just RUSH me your LAST CHANCE COUPON below with YOUR NAME and ADDRESS ON IT

and I'll show YOU absolutely FREE

How to GAIN UP TO 50 LBS. OF MIGHTY MUSCLES!

or LOSE up to 50 LBS. of UGLY, DANGEROUS FAT

And Become a REAL HE-MAN like MANY THOUSANDS of My Pupils in 10 Minutes of FUN a Day

Are YOU SKINNY like I was?

a 90 lb. weakling who became world's strongest man

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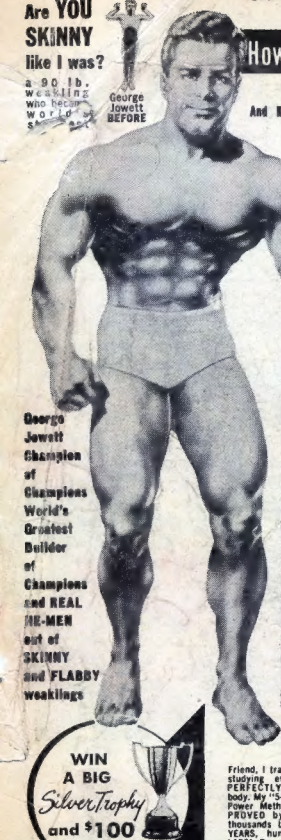

George Jowett Champion of Champions World's Greatest Builder of Champions and REAL HE-MEN out of SKINNY and FLABBY weaklings

Yes! I'll Show You By My Quick, Easy Methods How To

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I GAINED 60 LBS. OF SHAPELY MIGHTY MUSCLES

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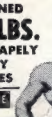

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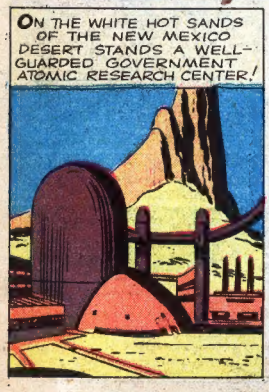
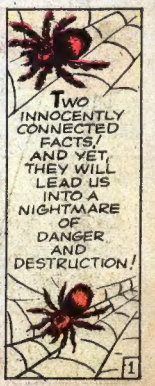


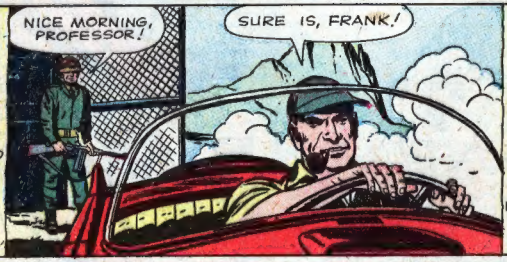


THE TIME IS NIGHT! ROBERT CARTER, TOP PHYSICIST OF THE RESEARCH CENTER, IS AT HOME, SLEEPING SOUNDLY! HIS BEDROOM WINDOW IS OPEN, AND THROUGH IT CRAWLS ONE OF THE COUNTLESS DENIZENS OF THE DESERT--A SMALL HARMLESS SPIDER!

CRAWLING SLOWLY, AIMLESSLY--THE TINY SPIDER SLIDES DOWN THE WALL, ALONG THE FLOOR, AND UP ONTO A PAIR OF HANGING TROUSERS...

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, ROBERT CARTER RISES AND GETS DRESSED, WITHOUT NOTICING THE TINY CLINGING INSECT IN ONE OF HIS TROUSER CUFFS!

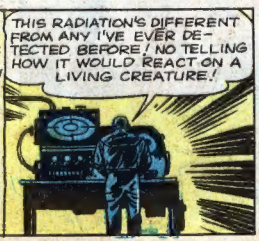
SUSPECTING NOTHING, HE DRIVES TO WORK, STOPPING AT THE GATE JUST LONG ENOUGH TO LET THE GUARD RECOGNIZE HIS FAMILIAR FEATURES!



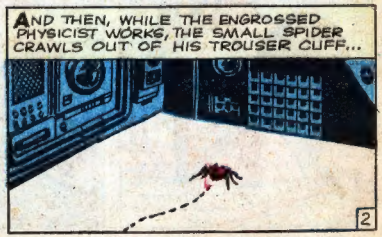
AND SO THE SENTRY PASSES HIM THROUGH, NEVER DREAMING OF THE MENACE HE HAS ALLOWED TO ENTER! A MENACE THAT WILL PROVE FAR MORE DANGEROUS THAN ANY HUMAN SPY OR SABOTEUR!

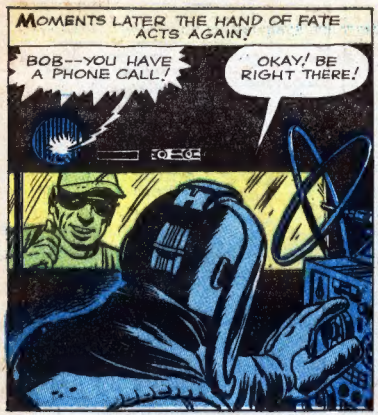
ROBERT CARTER WORKS ON A HIGHLY RADIOACTIVE ATOMIC MACHINE! PRECAUTIONS MUST BE TAKEN! BUT ONCE AGAIN, THE PRECAUTIONS ARE NOT ENOUGH TO PREVENT FATE'S GRIM PLAN FROM BEING CARRIED OUT...

NOW THE ELEMENTS FOR OUR FANTASTIC ADVENTURE ARE COMPLETE! WE HAVE AN UNSUSPECTING SCIENTIST, A SILENT, HIDDEN INSECT, AND AN ULTRA-POWERFUL ATOMIC MACHINE!

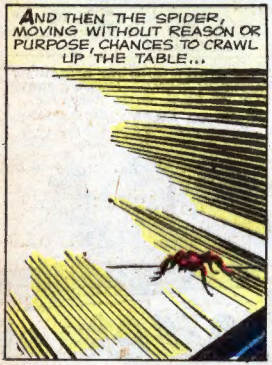


AND THEN, WHILE THE ENGROSSED PHYSICIST WORKS, THE SMALL SPIDER CRAWLS OUT OF HIS TROUSER CUFF...



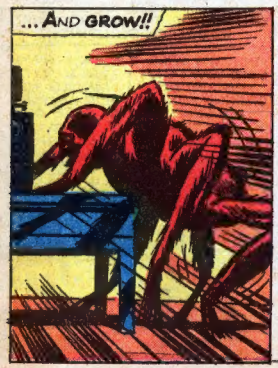

MOMENTS LATER THE HAND OF FATE ACTS AGAIN!
BOB--YOU HAVE A PHONE CALL!
OKAY! BE RIGHT THERE!

IN ORDER NOT TO HAVE TO BUILD UP THE ATOMIC MACHINE'S ENERGY OUTPUT AGAIN, CARTER LEAVES THE MACHINE ON WHILE HE GOES TO ANSWER THE PHONE!


AND THEN THE SPIDER, MOVING WITHOUT REASON OR PURPOSE, CHANCES TO CRAWL UP THE TABLE...

...AND INTO THE PATH OF THE POWERFUL, RADIO-ACTIVE ATOMIC ENERGY RAYS!!

BOMBARDING THE TRAPPED SPIDER, THE ATOMIC RAYS ENERGIZE HIS MOLECULES AND CAUSE HIS CELL TISSUE TO MULTIPLY! WITHIN SECONDS THE SPIDER BEGINS TO GROW!!


...AND GROW!!

...AND GROW!!

AND, AS THE CREATURE GROWS, HIS BRAIN ENLARGES! HIS MENTAL CAPACITIES INCREASE! HE IS ABLE TO THINK--TO SPEAK!!
I...HAVE BECOME HUGE... POWERFUL...

HEARING THE SOUNDS OF A PONDEROUS FORM MOVING IN THE LAB, ROBERT CARTER AND HIS ASSOCIATE RUSH TO THE ROOM TO BEHOLD A MIND-STAGGERING SIGHT...

BOB!! LOOK!! A SPIDER-- AS BIG AS A HOUSE!!

BUT HOW?? WAIT!! THE ATOMIC MACHINE!! THE SPIDER MUST'VE CRAWLED IN THE PATH OF ITS RAYS!!

...AND NOW THE INSECT'S BECOME A MONSTER!! WE MUST DESTROY IT!! CALL THE GUARDS!!

BUT BEFORE THE AWE-STRICKEN MEN CAN SUMMON HELP...

HE'S WEAVED A WEB! IT'S BLOCKING OUR WAY! I CAN'T BREAK THROUGH IT!

NONE SHALL ESCAPE! NONE SHALL DESTROY ME!

NO-- IT CAN'T BE! THE SPIDER IS ACTUALLY SPEAKING!!

LOOK! HE'S GOING TO CRASH THROUGH THE WALL!

HEAVING HIS ENORMOUS BULK AGAINST THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING, THE GIANT SPIDER SMASHES IT TO SMITHEREENS!

CRASH!

THEN, WITH SWIFT FURY, THE INSECT-MONSTER SPINS AN IMMENSE WEB AROUND THE ENTIRE BUILDING!

THE HUMANS INSIDE ARE MY ENEMIES! I MUST IMPRISON THEM-- UNTIL I AM READY TO DEAL WITH THEM!

SHOOT THE MONSTER! SHOOT IT!

I AM-- BUT THE BULLETS JUST BOUNCE OFF HIM!

IMPERVIOUS TO THE CRIES OF THE PANIC-STRICKEN HUMANS, THE GIGANTIC INSECT SPINS A STILL-LARGER WEB, COVERING THE ENTIRE INSTALLATION!

THE WEB'S TOO STRONG TO CUT THROUGH!

WE'RE TRAPPED! TRAPPED!!

BUT INSIDE THE MAIN ATOMIC RESEARCH BUILDING...

THERE'S STILL ONE WAY OUT! THIS UNDERGROUND TUNNEL WILL LEAD US OFF THE BASE!

LUCKY THING WE HAD IT PREPARED FOR ESCAPE IN CASE OF A RADIOACTIVE MISHAP!

ONCE WE'RE OFF THE BASE, WE'LL RUN FOR HELP!
EVERY SECOND COUNTS! NOBODY'S SAFE WITH THAT MONSTER ON THE LOOSE!
BUT BEFORE THE FLEEING HUMANS CAN REACH THE OTHER END OF THE TUNNEL...
I HEAR MOVEMENT--FOOTSTEPS--BENEATH THE GROUND!
THE HUMANS FORGET MY SENSES ARE A THOUSAND TIMES SHARPER THAN THEIRS!
WITH FANTASTIC POWER, THE COLOSSAL SPIDER-CREATURE QUICKLY DIGS DOWN INTO THE EARTH!
MOVING FASTER THAN THE MOST POWERFUL STEAM SHOVEL, HE SOON REACHES THE UNDERGROUND TUNNEL!
HE'S BROKEN THROUGH!
HE SEES US!
LOOK OUT! HE'S TRYING TO GRAB US!
SO! YOU TRIED TO ESCAPE ME--TO WARN THE REST OF MANKIND!! NEVER FEAR--THEY WILL LEARN OF ME SOON ENOUGH!!
MEANWHILE, IN ANOTHER TRAPPED BUILDING, THREE FRENZIED HUMANS TRY DESPERATELY TO SAVE THE SITUATION...
THE TELEPHONE LINES ARE DOWN! DESTROYED BY THE SPIDER'S WEB!
THE SHORT WAVE SET IS THE ONLY WAY LEFT TO CALL FOR HELP!
I THINK I'M GETTING THROUGH TO--
LOOK OUT! THE SPIDER'S SEEN US!
HE'S SEIZED THE BUILDING'S FOUNDATION!
HE'S TRYING TO YANK IT OUT OF THE GROUND!
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THE THREAD

RED'S Water Front Shack was the same tonight as any other, only for some reason there seemed to be a sort of suspension in the air as if something were about to happen. You couldn't quite put your finger on it, but it was there.

Old Pete was pounding out a tune on the tinkling piano which stood against the far wall. There was a clink of steins as Mick the bartender washed and stood them upside down on the makeshift drain to dry. A strong smell of fish prevailed from the Yukon River running in back of the Shack. Just a place where the men went at night to play poker and exchange tall stories around the glowing pot-bellied stove, while enjoying a beer.

The owner, Red Murdock, sat at one of the tables playing poker with a couple of sourdoughs and the Midget Morgan. Red was a large man of fifty but looked about forty, because of his mop of red hair. He talked a lot and loud and drank just as much. As for Midget Morgan he was altogether different. His four feet was topped by an extra large head, a livid jagged scar pulled his left eye down so that it seemed to lay on his cheek bone. Just looking at him made you involuntarily shrink back a little.

Red kept him around doing odd jobs and errands for a few cents, then each night won it back playing poker.

A gust of cold wind blew in and flickered the lamps as Matt Anderson came in and joined the group around the stove. Pop, Matt's dad, owned the town grocery store. He was in the middle of a story; apparently a good one as all were listening intently.

Matt noticing his Dad's nervous glances toward the door, interrupted when the latter paused long enough to drink a deep draft from his stein.

"What's the matter, Dad?"

"Don't know, son, but I got a mighty queer feeling as if something is gonna happen." The men around the stove looked at Pop.

"Why I got that feeling, too, wished it would happen and get it over with, so I could enjoy myself," answered one of the fisherman.

Red looked up swearing loudly because he was losing. "What's eating you, Pop? Believing those stories of yours?" A few of the men laughed, so Pop finished his story. Then he stopped suddenly. "SH-H! Someone's at the door."

Red rose and went to the door, opening it. A small dog limped in, and headed for he stove. "For Petes sake! Of all things to get so jumpy about, it's only a dog." Closing the door he walked over and sat down again.

Pop looked down at the dog. "Ever see this mutt before anyone?"

"Might belong to that fellow that moved in up by Pete's, what's his name? Dr. Wayne or something," someone offered.

"No, Matt said he's got a string of black huskies. He was at the store today and bought a month's supply of grub. I asked if he had a boat and he said no. Somewhat of a hermit I guess. Been around here two months now, come down only for grub. Bought some aerial wire, too. Must have some sort of contraption to need that kind of wire being he hasn't got a boat and don't work for none of the fishermen hereabouts." The group around the stove grew silent with their own thoughts about the doctor.

Pop broke up the group. "Well guess we'd better get going, Matt, or Mom will think we've forgotten her." At the door he turned and whistled and the dog limped over.

Matt picked him up and half stuck him under his mackinaw. "See you boys tomorrow." A chorus of goodnights followed them out.

Outside a fine snow was falling. "It'll be down about ten below in the morning. Think I'll do a little hunting in the morning if you don't need me at the store, Dad. Old Pete said he saw deer tracks in back of his woodshed this morning, said there were about two or three dozen. I'll borrow his huskies."

As they turned the corner, crudely made homes loomed in the dark. The Anderson home was up at the end of the next block, it was one of the nicer houses.

The dog began to wiggle and Matt loosened his hold on him,

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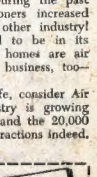

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BEHOLD, MORTALS, HOW I DEAL WITH THOSE WHO DEFY ME!
HIS STRENGTH IS BEYOND IMAGINATION!
ANY INSECTS WOULD BE IF IT WERE MAGNIFIED SO MANY THOUSANDS OF TIMES!!

HE'S DROPPED THE BUILDING!
EVERYTHING'S FALLING! LOOK OUT!
THE SHORT WAVE SET-- IT'S SMASHED!

NOW THAT YOU HAVE FELT MY WRATH, I LEAVE YOU! I SHALL GATHER THOUSANDS OF OTHER SPIDERS! THEN I SHALL RETURN AND EXPOSE THEM TO THE ATOMIC ENERGY RAYS! THUS WILL I FORM AS INVINCIBLE ARMY OF GIANTS! THUS SHALL I CONQUER ALL OF EARTH!!

LEAVING THE HUMANS HELPLESSLY TRAPPED BENEATH THE ALL-COVERING WEB, THE MONSTROUS SPIDER BEGINS TO CARRY OUT HIS TERRIFYING BOAST...
COME, MY BROTHERS! COME TO YOUR LEADER! TOGETHER WE SHALL GAIN DOMINION OVER ALL THE WORLD!

HE'S LEADING THEM BACK HERE!
HE MEANS TO DO IT--TO TURN THOSE COUNTLESS SPIDERS INTO AN ARMY OF MONSTERS!
SUCH A HORDE WOULD SWARM OVER THE ENTIRE PLANET, DESTROYING EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH!

THEY MUST BE STOPPED! BUT HOW?? IF I COULD ONLY FREE MYSELF FROM THIS NET AND GET TO THE ATOMIC MACHINE, I COULD SMASH IT; BUT I CAN'T GET FREE! THERE HAS TO BE SOME OTHER WAY! SOME--WAIT! THAT GUIDED MISSILE! THAT'S IT!

YOU THINK YOU CAN CONQUER MANKIND, DO YOU! WELL, TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE MISSILE FLYING IN THE SKY! HOW WILL YOU AND YOUR SPIDERS EVER BATTLE SUCH POWERFUL MODERN WEAPONS AS THAT?
HOW?? I SHALL SHOW YOU HOW, MORTAL!!

BEHOLD HOW I CREATE THE GREATEST WEB OF ALL TIME!
IT'S INCREDIBLE! LOOK AT THE SIZE!! THE SPEED!!
HE'S SPINNING HIS WEB FASTER THAN THE MISSILE CAN FLY!!
AT LIGHTNING SPEED, THE WEB GROWS HIGHER AND HIGHER UNTIL IT REACHES THE SPEEDING ROCKET!
HE'S SNARED THE MISSILE!
THE WEB'S PULLING IT OFF COURSE! IT'S GOING OUT OF CONTROL!
NOW BEHOLD HOW I SHALL SEIZE YOUR PUNY WEAPON AND SHATTER IT TO BITS!
H-HE'S CLIMBING UP AFTER THE MISSILE!
BUT JUST AS THE SPIDER GETS TO WITHIN SCANT FEET OF THE MISSILE...
BAARROOOM!!
IT EXPLODED! JUST AS I KNEW IT WOULD! WE'RE SAVED!
AT THAT MOMENT, ON AN ARMY BASE FIVE HUNDRED MILES AWAY...
WHAT HAPPENED?
SOMETHING WENT WRONG WITH THE MISSILE! ACCORDING TO OUR RADAR IT WENT OFF COURSE! SO, AS SAFETY OFFICER, I HAD TO PUSH THE "DESTROY" BUTTON!
TOO BAD! AND JUST WHEN WE THOUGHT WE HAD THE MISSILES WORKING PERFECTLY! OH WELL, SOME DAYS NOTHING SEEMS TO GO RIGHT!
YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN, MAJOR! YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!
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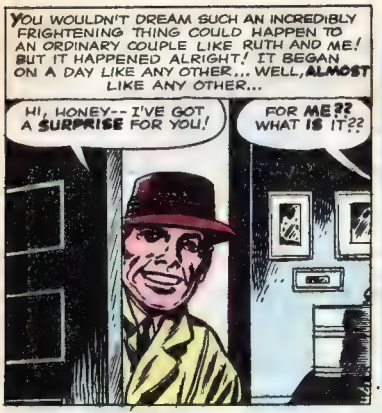
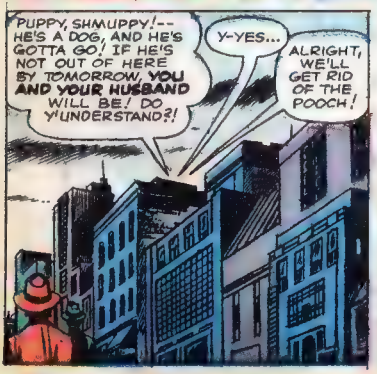

YOU WOULDN'T DREAM SUCH AN INCREDIBLY FRIGHTENING THING COULD HAPPEN TO AN ORDINARY COUPLE LIKE RUTH AND ME! BUT IT HAPPENED ALRIGHT! IT BEGAN ON A DAY LIKE ANY OTHER... WELL, ALMOST LIKE ANY OTHER...
HI, HONEY-- I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU!
FOR ME?? WHAT IS IT??

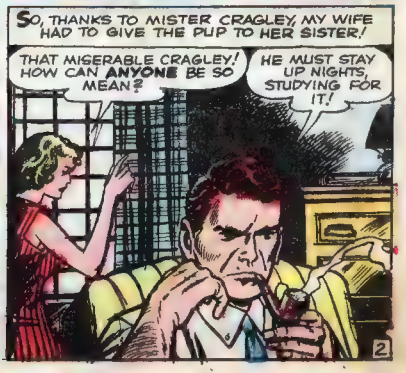
A PUPPY!! OH, BILL, HE'S THE CUTEST LITTLE THING I'VE EVER SEEN!!

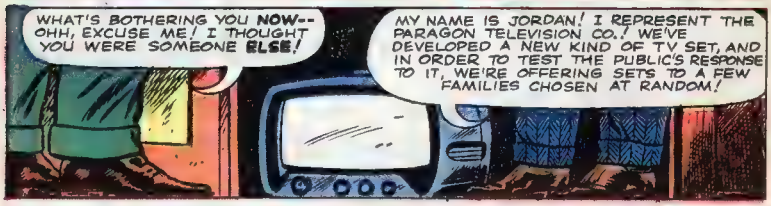
WOOF!
JUST LISTEN TO THE LITTLE FELLOW! ISN'T HE ADORABLE?!
THE MINUTE I PASSED THE PET SHOP AND SAW HIM IN THE WINDOW I SAID THAT'S FOR MY RUTH!

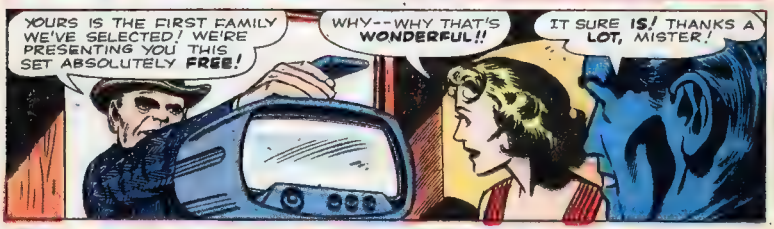
BUT, INTO EVERY LIFE A LITTLE RAIN MUST FALL... AND RUTH AND I, WE HAD A DELUGE BY THE NAME OF CRAGLEY! HE WAS OUR BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT, AND A NASTIER, CRANKIER GUY NEVER LIVED!
UH...HELLO, MISTER CRAGLEY!
DON'T TRY TO SOFT-SOAP ME, JONES! I HEARD BARKING IN YOUR APARTMENT! AH, HA--THERE IT IS!!

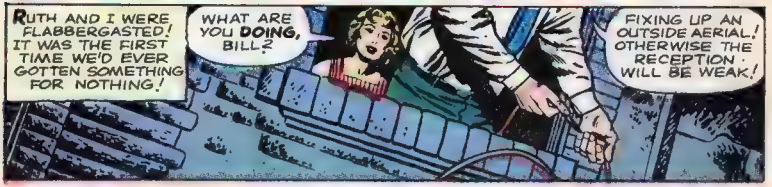
WH-WHAT'S WRONG??
WHAT'S WRONG?? THAT'S WHAT'S WRONG!! THAT DOG!! WE DON'T ALLOW DOGS IN THIS BUILDING!!
BUT HE'S JUST A PUPPY!


PUPPY, SHMUPPY!-- HE'S A DOG, AND HE'S GOTTA GO! IF HE'S NOT OUT OF HERE BY TOMORROW, YOU AND YOUR HUSBAND WILL BE! DO Y'UNDERSTAND?!
Y-YES...
ALRIGHT, WE'LL GET RID OF THE POOCH!


SO, THANKS TO MISTER CRAGLEY, MY WIFE HAD TO GIVE THE PUP TO HER SISTER!
THAT MISERABLE CRAGLEY! HOW CAN ANYONE BE SO MEAN?
HE MUST STAY UP NIGHTS, STUDYING FOR IT!


WHAT'S BOTHERING YOU NOW-- OHH, EXCUSE ME! I THOUGHT YOU WERE SOMEONE ELSE!
MY NAME IS JORDAN! I REPRESENT THE PARAGON TELEVISION CO.! WE'VE DEVELOPED A NEW KIND OF TV SET, AND IN ORDER TO TEST THE PUBLIC'S RESPONSE TO IT, WE'RE OFFERING SETS TO A FEW FAMILIES CHOSEN AT RANDOM!


YOURS IS THE FIRST FAMILY WE'VE SELECTED! WE'RE PRESENTING YOU THIS SET ABSOLUTELY FREE!
WHY--WHY THAT'S WONDERFUL!!
IT SURE IS! THANKS A LOT, MISTER!


RUTH AND I WERE FLABBERGASTED! IT WAS THE FIRST TIME WE'D EVER GOTTEN SOMETHING FOR NOTHING!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, BILL?
FIXING UP AN OUTSIDE AERIAL! OTHERWISE THE RECEPTION WILL BE WEAK!

AS SOON AS EVERYTHING WAS ADJUSTED, I TURNED ON THE SET...
CHANNEL X??
I NEVER HEARD OF THAT CHANNEL BEFORE!
THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY PROGRAM ON IT RIGHT NOW! TURN TO ANOTHER CHANNEL!
CHANNEL X

I SWITCHED THE DIAL TO ANOTHER STATION, BUT THE SCREEN STILL SHOWED CHANNEL X! THEN I SWITCHED AGAIN---AND AGAIN--AND AGAIN--BUT ALL I COULD GET WAS... CHANNEL X!!
I GUESS THE SET'S BROKEN!
JUST OUR LUCK! WE FINALLY GET SOMETHING FREE, AND...

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Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin

RUSH STARTING OUTFIT

MR. NED MASON
Mason Shoe Mfg. Company, Dept C-948 Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Dear Ned: Please rush FREE and postpaid my Starting Shoe Business Outfit with EVERYTHING I need to start making extra cash Saturday mornings.

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If you have ambition, can sell, and can train and supervise others, we may have an opening for you as a District Sales Manager.

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IT'S SOME KIND OF STRANGE PATTERN! IT'S SO HYPNOTIC I-I CAN'T TAKE MY EYES OFF IT!
IT'S MAKING ME DROWSY...!
I TRIED TO TURN AWAY--TO SHUT MY EYES, BUT I COULDN'T! I WAS IN THE CLUTCHES OF A FORCE GREATER THAN MYSELF, AND I COULDN'T RESIST IT!
WE-WE'RE BEING HYPNOTIZED...
I CAN'T RESIST... CAN'T RESIST...
WITHIN MINUTES, RUTH AND I WERE IN A DEEP TRANCE! THEN, A FACE APPEARED ON THE SCREEN! IT WAS THE MAN WHO HAD CALLED HIMSELF JORDAN!
AND THEN THE FACE SLOWLY BEGAN TO... CHANGE!!
...CHANGE INTO THE STRANGE, FRIGHTENING COUNTENANCE OF...
...OF AN ALIEN CREATURE!!

HEAR ME, EARTHLINGS! YOU ARE THE FIRST VICTIMS THAT WE, THE PLUTONIAN WARRIORS, HAVE PUT UNDER OUR SPELL! NOW THAT WE SEE HOW WELL OUR PLAN WORKS, WE SHALL PUT IT INTO EFFECT ON A MASS SCALE!

"WE SHALL DISTRIBUTE OUR TELEVIDIO SETS THROUGHOUT YOUR ENTIRE WORLD! ALL MANKIND WILL BE TRICKED INTO WATCHING CHANNEL X! THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE WILL BECOME OUR HYPNOTIZED SLAVES!"

"AND WHILE ALL MANKIND IS THUS POWERLESS TO RESIST, WE SHALL LAND OUR LEGIONS ON YOUR DOOMED PLANET!"
"OUR TROOPS WILL INVADE YOUR HOMES AND MAKE CAPTIVES OF YOU ALL!"
"SOON, WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT, WE SHALL HAVE CONQUERED ALL MANKIND!"
THEN SHALL EARTH BECOME A SATELLITE OF PLUTO, SERVING THE MOTHER PLANET FOR THE REST OF ITS DAYS!
...THE ONLY THING THAT MIGHT HAVE STOPPED US WOULD HAVE BEEN OUR FAILURE TO HYPNOTIZE YOU! BUT WE DID NOT FAIL! WE HAVE PUT YOU IN A TRANCE, AND SO YOU SHALL REMAIN UNTIL WE...
BUT SUDDENLY!!
RUTH--WE'VE BEEN HYPNOTIZED!!
BUT IT'S OVER NOW!! THE SPELL IS ENDED!!
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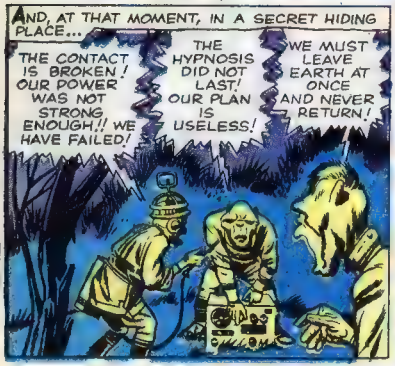
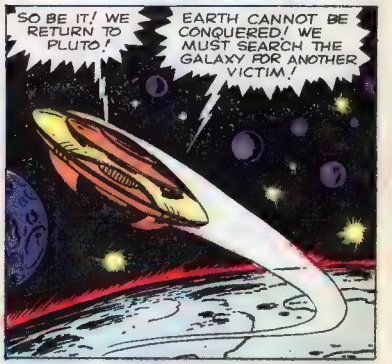
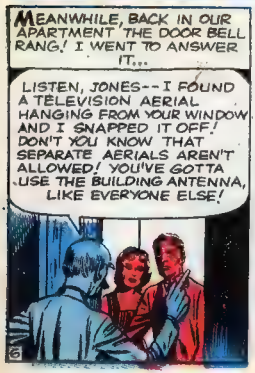
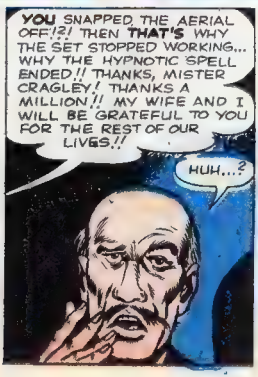
AS QUICKLY AS I COULD, I GRABBED AN AX!
I'VE GOT TO SMASH THE TELEVISION RECEIVER!
HURRY, DEAR!! OH, HURRY!!

THAT'S IT, BILL! SHATTER IT TO BITS!
NEVER AGAIN WILL THIS INSIDIOUS DEVICE HYPNOTIZE ANYONE!
CRASH!


AND, AT THAT MOMENT, IN A SECRET HIDING PLACE...
THE CONTACT IS BROKEN! OUR POWER WAS NOT STRONG ENOUGH!! WE HAVE FAILED!
THE HYPNOSIS DID NOT LAST! OUR PLAN IS USELESS!
WE MUST LEAVE EARTH AT ONCE AND NEVER RETURN!


SO BE IT! WE RETURN TO PLUTO!
EARTH CANNOT BE CONQUERED! WE MUST SEARCH THE GALAXY FOR ANOTHER VICTIM!


MEANWHILE, BACK IN OUR APARTMENT THE DOOR BELL RANG! I WENT TO ANSWER IT...
LISTEN, JONES--I FOUND A TELEVISION AERIAL HANGING FROM YOUR WINDOW AND I SNAPPED IT OFF! DON'T YOU KNOW THAT SEPARATE AERIALS AREN'T ALLOWED! YOU'VE GOTTA USE THE BUILDING ANTENNA, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE!


YOU SNAPPED THE AERIAL OFF!? THEN THAT'S WHY THE SET STOPPED WORKING... WHY THE HYPNOTIC SPELL ENDED!! THANKS, MISTER CRAGLEY! THANKS A MILLION!! MY WIFE AND I WILL BE GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES!!
HUH...?

BEWILDERED, MR. CRAGLEY LEFT, NEVER DREAMING THAT A BAD-TEMPERED, GRUMPY MAN LIKE HIMSELF HAD UNWITTINGLY SAVED THE HUMAN RACE!
BAH! IF I LIVE TO BE A HUNDRED, I'LL NEVER UNDERSTAND TENANTS!!
AND SO ENDED THE MENACE OF CHANNEL X!!
THE END

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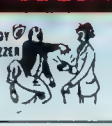

HOT BUZZER
The most popular joke novelty on years' Wind up and wear it like a ring. When you shake hands it almost raises the victim off his feet with a "shocking sensation." Absolutely harmless
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THROW YOUR VOICE
Ventro & Rock
Your chance to be a ventriloquist. To do you can't move lips and mouth, just everywhere & instrument fits in your mouth and out of sight. You'll fool the teacher, your friends and your family and have fun doing it. Free book on "How to Become a ventriloquist"
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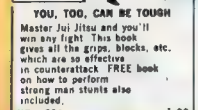

YOU, TOO, CAN BE TOUGH
Master Jiu Jitsu and you'll win any fight. This book gives all the grips, blocks, etc. which are so effective in counterattack. FREE book on how to perform strong man stunts also included.
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Are you willing to take a chance? We won't tell you what you get, but because you're willing to gamble, we'll give you more than your money's worth
Only 50¢
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Place it on a chair under a cushion then watch the fun when someone sits down! It gives forth embarrassing noises. Made of rubber and inflatable. A scream at parties and gatherings
No 747 50¢

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Tiny featherweight radio that operates without batteries, without tubes, but brings you years of listening pleasure. Nothing to wear out or replace. Plays indefinitely. Complete with own earplug
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Drives All Models
Yes, now you can have an actual electric motor for just 50¢. It sounds unbelievable, but it's true. This compact little kit makes it a cinch to build this high power unit. And the fun you're going to get driving your model planes, boats, etc. Comes complete with easy to follow instructions for assembly.
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Look through the eyepiece as the enemy subs and ships come into view. Then aim and fire. The enemy's blasted out of the water. Can be used over and over again. Works on standard batteries.
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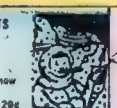
14 BANNER SNAKE
3 squares 12" each, one end with head and tongue. Forms 14 banners of ground and waves like snake
SNAKE $1.00

BLACK EYE JOKE
Show them the "naughty" pictures inside. They'll twist it and turn it to see, but all they do is blacken their eyes
No. 216 25¢

AUTO BREAKER
FRANKSTER EXHAUST WHISTLE
Greatest gag in years! Place this gadget inside any tail pipe and watch the fun. Sounds like the transmission, fuel pump, and whole rear end caved in. Harmless but a panic
NO. 087 75¢



SNOW STORM TABLETS
Just place one of these on the end of a burning cigarette, and watch the snow fly. It'll create a real indoor snow blizzard.
NO. 045 per pkg. 20¢

MINIATURE SECRET CAMERA
Precision camera no small than a cigarette pack. Weighs 2½ ounces and takes 10 pictures per roll. Features a guard lens and 4 ms exposure shutter. Can be 4 ddpn. 4 photo Comes with free roll of film
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Pocket Gym will develop your chest, bread, triceps neck shoulders, stomach and legs. In just 10 days you'll begin to earn the respect of all your friends—the admiration of all the girls. You'll look fit and feel no one
ONE $2.00

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Beautifully printed on fine paper. Contains 200 pages in 1" x 1½" book. Carry with you at all times.
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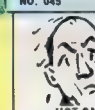
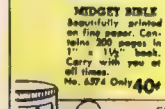


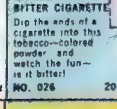
HOT CANDY
Looks like regular candy, but it sure doesn't taste like it. Burns their mouth when they eat it.
Pkg of 3
NO. 022 12¢

BITTER CIGARETTE
Dip the ends of a cigarette into this tobacco—colored powder and watch the fun—as it bitter!
NO. 026 20¢

Sorry, but we cannot ship orders totaling less than $1.00
Kindly add 15¢ for postage and handling to all orders



FOAMING SUGAR
Looks just like real sugar, but that's where the resemblance stops. When it's dropped in liquid, they overflow and form clouds of suds. Seems as though it'll never stop.
NO. 549 25¢



BLACKTINT
BLACK CHEWING GUM
Sucker starts chewing this ordinary looking gum and his mouth and teeth turn black. It's awful but harmless.
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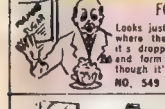

ONE-WAY GLASS
See without being seen. You look thru one side and it's just like a window, look in the other side and it's a mirror
No. 6190 75¢

MONEY BACK GUARANTEE
HONOR HOUSE PRODUCTS CORP., Lynbrook N.Y.
Dept CX-31
Rush me the items listed below. If I am not satisfied I may return any part of my purchase after 10 days free trial for full refund of the purchase price

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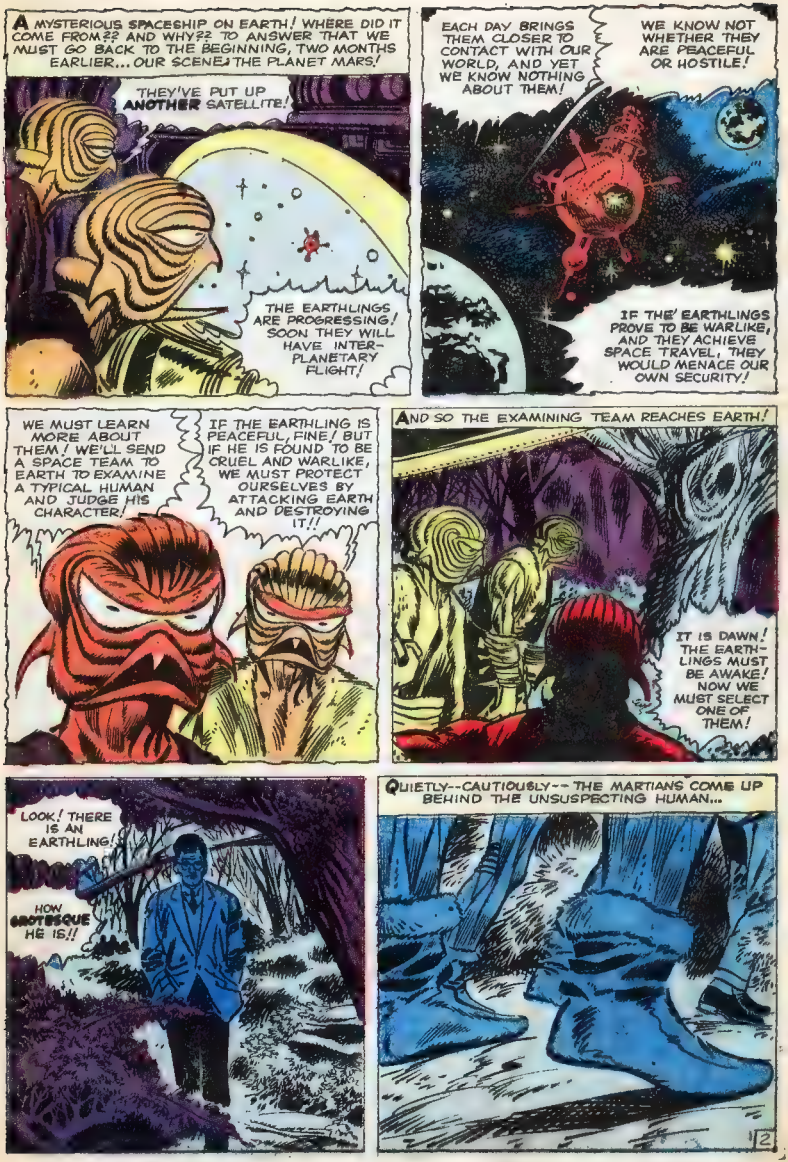
☐ Send C.O.D. I will pay postman on delivery plus a few cents postage.
NAME Conor Reis
ADDRESS Box 32 RD #1 Hewlett

MENACE FROM MARS!

WE ARE NOW APPROACHING THE PLANET EARTH!
PREPARE FOR LANDING!
THERE IS A FOREST BELOW! IT WILL AFFORD US A PERFECT PLACE FOR CONCEALMENT!
IT IS GOOD! NONE MUST DISCOVER OUR PRESENCE!
AT LAST WE ARE ON EARTH!
SOON IT WILL BE DAWN! THEN WE SHALL CARRY OUT OUR FATEFUL TASK!


A MYSTERIOUS SPACESHIP ON EARTH! WHERE DID IT COME FROM?? AND WHY?? TO ANSWER THAT WE MUST GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING, TWO MONTHS EARLIER... OUR SCENE: THE PLANET MARS!
THEY'VE PUT UP ANOTHER SATELLITE!
THE EARTHLINGS ARE PROGRESSING! SOON THEY WILL HAVE INTER-PLANETARY FLIGHT!
EACH DAY BRINGS THEM CLOSER TO CONTACT WITH OUR WORLD, AND YET WE KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THEM!
WE KNOW NOT WHETHER THEY ARE PEACEFUL OR HOSTILE!
IF THE EARTHLINGS PROVE TO BE WARLIKE, AND THEY ACHIEVE SPACE TRAVEL, THEY WOULD MENACE OUR OWN SECURITY!
WE MUST LEARN MORE ABOUT THEM! WE'LL SEND A SPACE TEAM TO EARTH TO EXAMINE A TYPICAL HUMAN AND JUDGE HIS CHARACTER!
IF THE EARTHLING IS PEACEFUL, FINE! BUT IF HE IS FOUND TO BE CRUEL AND WARLIKE, WE MUST PROTECT OURSELVES BY ATTACKING EARTH AND DESTROYING IT!!
AND SO THE EXAMINING TEAM REACHES EARTH!
IT IS DAWN! THE EARTHLINGS MUST BE AWAKE! NOW WE MUST SELECT ONE OF THEM!
LOOK! THERE IS AN EARTHLING!
HOW GROTESQUE HE IS!!
QUIETLY--CAUTIOUSLY-- THE MARTIANS COME UP BEHIND THE UNSUSPECTING HUMAN...
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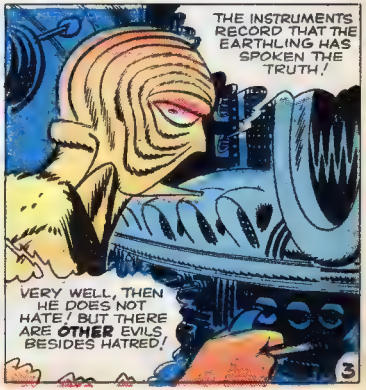
I HAVE HIS ARMS! HE CANNOT FLEE!
WHO--WHO ARE YOU?? WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME??!
TAKE HIM TO THE SHIP!
DO NOT BE AFRAID! WE SHALL NOT HURT YOU!

SHIP?? SAY, WHAT IS THIS??
MARTIANS!
WE ARE MARTIANS! WE WOULD QUESTION YOU!
YOU SOUND SURPRISED! SURELY YOU EARTHLINGS DO NOT PRESUME YOU ARE THE ONLY INTELLIGENT BEINGS IN THE UNIVERSE!

WHAT ARE THESE GADGETS FOR?
THESE INSTRUMENTS WILL DETECT WHETHER OR NOT YOU SPEAK THE TRUTH!
IF YOU LIE TO US, WE SHALL KNOW IT! SO TAKE CARE, EARTHLING...

LET THE QUESTIONING PROCEED...
TELL US, EARTHLING, DO YOU HATE US BECAUSE WE ARE DIFFERENT THAN YOU?
I...I DON'T HATE YOU FOR ANY REASON!

YOU DO NOT HATE US...HMMM! TELL US WHOM YOU DO HATE!
YES, GIVE US THE NAMES OF THE OTHER HUMANS WHOM YOU HATE!
BUT I DON'T HATE ANYONE!


THE INSTRUMENTS RECORD THAT THE EARTHLING HAS SPOKEN THE TRUTH!
VERY WELL, THEN HE DOES NOT HATE! BUT THERE ARE OTHER EVILS, BESIDES HATRED!

WOULD YOU STEAL FROM ANOTHER IF YOU WERE CERTAIN YOU WOULD NOT BE PUNISHED?
NO...I WOULD NEVER WANT ANYTHING THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO ME!
EVEN IF BY STEALING YOU COULD BE THE RICHEST MAN IN THE UNIVERSE??
EVEN THEN I WOULD NOT STEAL!
AGAIN THE EARTH-LING HAS SPOKEN THE TRUTH!
WELL THEN, IF YOU COULD ACHIEVE SUCCESS BY CHEATING, WOULD YOU DO SO?
I WOULD NEVER CHEAT OR DO ANYTHING DISHONEST!
WHAT ARE YOUR INTERESTS? WHAT ACTIVITIES DO YOU ENGAGE IN??
I SAVE STAMPS... AND--
I LIKE TO PLAY CHECKERS!
HARMLESS ENOUGH INTERESTS!
WHAT ABOUT HUNTING ANIMALS? OR FISHING?
OHH, I COULD NEVER HARM ANOTHER LIVING CREATURE!
AMAZING! I HAVE SELDON HEARD OF SO CIVILIZED A CREATURE!
AND EVERY WORD HE SAID IS THE TRUTH!
I THINK WE HAVE LEARNED ENOUGH ABOUT THIS TYPICAL EARTHLING!
YES, WE KNOW NOW THAT EARTH-LINGS ARE GENTLE, HONEST AND WITHOUT MALICE!
YOU HAVE BEEN OF GREAT HELP TO US... AND TO YOUR OWN WORLD AS WELL!
I'M GLAD! I LIKE TO HELP PEOPLE, IN WHATEVER WAY I CAN!
YOU ARE FREE TO GO!
THANK YOU!
4

WHAT NOBLE CREATURES EARTHLINGS ARE!
OUR TRUTH-TESTING MACHINES ARE INFALLIBLE! WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR FROM EARTHLINGS!
MOMENTS LATER, THE ALIEN SHIP TAKES OFF FROM EARTH!
WHEN WE RETURN HOME, WE'LL TELL OUR PEOPLE THAT THE EARTHLINGS ARE PEACEFUL AND SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE THEIR SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS!
SO THERE YOU ARE!!
YOU KNOW YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO WANDER OFF!
YES, I KNOW!! BUT I HAD THE MOST DELIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE! I MUST TELL YOU ABOUT IT!
I MET THREE MEN FROM MARS! AND THEY ASKED ME ALL KINDS OF QUESTIONS!
SURE, SURE...
...AND THE MARTIANS LIKED ME!
OF COURSE THEY DID! WE LIKE YOU, TOO!
SANATORIUM
ALAS, IT IS TOO BAD NO ONE WILL EVER BELIEVE THAT A SIMPLE, GOOD-HEARTED MENTAL PATIENT SAVED THE PLANET EARTH FROM AN UNIMAGINABLE FATE!
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at which the small dog took advantage and jumped to the ground whining and barking. He would jump at Matt's legs, but as Matt reached for him he would run between two of the houses to the small quay and back again. "What's the matter, boy?" Matt inquired in an impatient tone, he was anxious to get home.

"There's something wrong here, Matt. He wants us to go with him. Maybe somebody's been hurt. Alright, fella, we're coming." As Matt and Pop followed, the dog ran quickly behind the shack barking sharply. "I don't like this," Pop said, turning to Matt, "but I guess we'd better have a look-see."

Following the dog, they saw in the moonlight the body of a man lying on the quay. Turning him over they both gasped, "Why it's that Waynne fellow. Pop go back to the shack and get help." Matt noticed the Doctor's left hand was clenched into a fist. Unclenching the hand Matt found it contained a pencil-like cylinder with queer symbols and numerals on it.

It made no sense to Matt, he slipped it into his pocket as the gang came from between the buildings. Everyone was talking at once, wondering what had happened. The man bore no wound.

"Must have had a heart attack," someone hazarded. No one but Matt seemed to notice it strange when the Midget Morgan began searching the body, he seemed in almost a frenzy. It was decided the body be put in the lean-to behind Red's shack to await the constable from St. Elias, tomorrow.

After last night's excitement, Matt resolved that this morning's hunting trip would also afford him the chance of visiting the dead doctor's cabin. This whole thing just didn't sit right with him. A vague uneasiness filled him over the whole affair, especially when he remembered Morgan's actions.

The interior was a shambles. Whoever had done this must have wanted something awfully bad. It was then that he noticed a queer contraption rigged up in one corner of the room. Fine aerial wire led off of it in all directions. But it was the odd symbols on the huge upright cylindrical tube that recalled the

small cylinder he had found clenched in the doctor's hand. Taking it out he examined it closely. It seemed innocent enough, yet a strange vibration was felt. Matt tapped it lightly against the edge of the table. A thin pitched whine resounded from it a moment before it shattered into countless pieces. The mongrel mutt at his feet unnoticed till now convulsed grotesquely and fell dead. It was the same as with the doctor, no wound could be found.

Seeing a massive worn ledger Matt leafed through it for some clues to these weird things. Noting a marker he turned to the entry. It was dated yesterday. January 7, 1952.

Today my experiment is finished. In another's hands the Thread of One Thousand Years, will become dust, and all my life's work ended. I must lose no time in getting the cylinder to—

There was no more, apparently the Dr. was in too great a hurry. Matt closed the book then hurriedly opened it again near the beginning. A puzzled frown drew his brows together for it was dated August 7, 1881, Brenwcht, Germany.

Going back still further the date read, Janus 9, 0984, Roma, Italy. Even the different language could not hide the fact, the handwriting on all entries was the same.

It was impossible. Dr. Waynne would have to be over one thousand years old. He then became aware of names written under some of these earlier entries. One particularly caught his eye. It was in Italian so Matt could make out only two or three words. Count Morgon, born Janus (January) 20, 0997, Roma, Italy.

Incredulous disbelief sent Matt racing through the door and stumbling over something just outside the door-sill. Scared Matt arose but still could not resist from investigating what had tripped him. Pushing aside the snow-shoes Matt gasped, for beneath a pitiful crumpled mound of clothes was the same fine powdered dust of the dog.

The clothes they — they — oh no! but Matt knew already. There was no mistaking Midget Morgan's plaid mackinaw, Midget Morgan — Count Morgon, born January 20, 0997.

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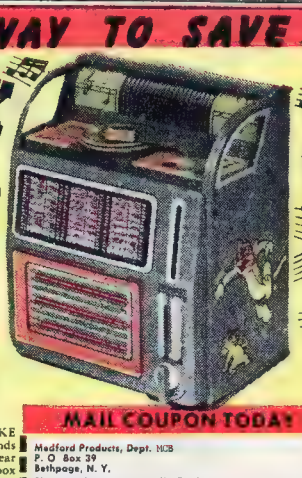

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NO ONE KNOWS! BUT FOR GENERATIONS, NO HUMAN HAS DARED TO ENTER ITS WALLS!
WHAT UTTER NONSENSE!
MY WIFE AND I ARE NOT SUPERSTITIOUS! THE CASTLE IS FOR SALE-- WE WANT TO BUY IT! THAT IS ALL!
VERY WELL... I TRIED TO WARN YOU! I SHALL WRITE UP THE NECESSARY PAPERS!
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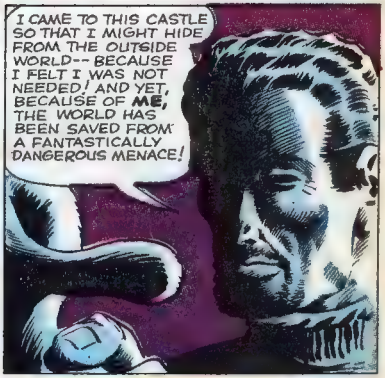
ARE YOU SURE WE'VE DONE THE RIGHT THING, MY DEAR?
OH YES, CHARLES! IT'S JUST PERFECT!
WE'VE ALWAYS WANTED A PLACE WITH HUGE ROOMS... WITH WIDE, LONG HALLS! A PLACE WHERE WE CAN SPEND OUR LIVES IN PEACE AND QUIET! AND NOW WE'VE FOUND IT!
VERY WELL, SARAH! THIS WILL BE OUR HOME FROM NOW ON!
2

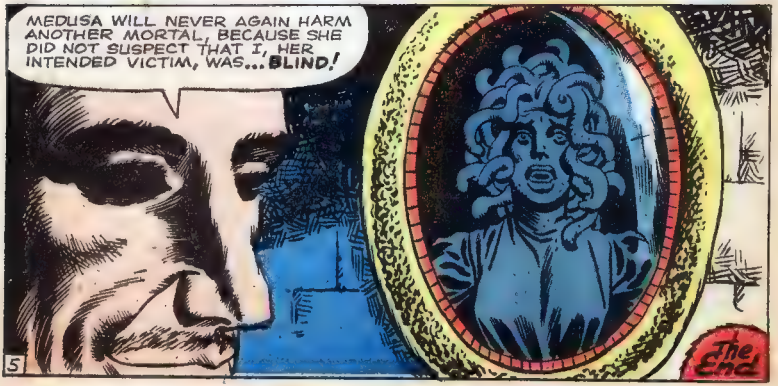
STRANGE... WE'VE BEEN INTO EVERY OTHER ROOM, BUT I DON'T SEEM ABLE TO UNLOCK THE DOOR TO THIS ONE!
I REMEMBER SEEING A CROWBAR ON THE GROUND FLOOR, DEAR! I'LL GO GET IT!
I'LL KEEP TRYING THE HANDLE WHILE SHE-- WAIT!! WHAT'S THAT??
HELP... HELP ME!
IF YOU HEAR ME-- HELP!! SET ME FREE!!
A STRANGE VOICE... BUT WHO...??
LET ME OUT... I BEG YOU...
IT'S COMING FROM BEHIND THIS DOOR!
I KNOW YOU'RE OUT THERE! YOU MUST SET ME FREE--YOU MUST!
I'LL--I'LL TRY! BE PATIENT!
WAIT! THE HANDLE HAS LOOSENED! I CAN PULL IT NOW! IT-- IT'S OPENING!
CRRREAK!
WHO ARE YOU? HOW DID YOU GET TRAPPED IN THERE?
YOU DON'T KNOW WHO I AM??
HEH HEH... YOU FOOL!!
3

I AM--
MEDUSA!
AGES AGO I WAS IMPRISONED IN THIS DUNGEON, SO MANKIND WOULD BE SPARED THE SIGHT OF ME!
BUT I WAITED!! FOR ALL THOSE LONELY YEARS I WAITED, AND NOW--NOW I AM FREE!!
SO GAZE UPON ME, MORTAL ...AND BE THE FIRST TO BE TURNED... ...TO STONE!
YOU--YOU ARE MEDUSA!! GOOD HEAVENS!! WHAT HAVE I DONE??
YOU CANNOT TURN AWAY!! YOU MUST LOOK AT ME-- YOU MUST!!
BUT WHY DO YOU NOT TURN TO STONE??
CAN I-- CAN I HAVE LOST MY POWERS DURING THE LONG AGES??
DOES THE SIGHT OF ME NO LONGER TURN MEN TO STONE??
THEN, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN CENTURIES, I DARE GAZE AT MY OWN VISAGE IN THE GLASS! I DARE--
...ARGHH!
4

I GROW COLD... MY LIMBS GROW STIFF... I--I CANNOT MOVE...
THEN I DID NOT LOSE MY POWER!! BUT YOU! WHY DID YOU NOT TURN TO STONE??

WHY? WHY?.....
SHE CAN NO LONGER SPEAK! SHE--SHE HAS BECOME HER OWN VICTIM!


I CAME TO THIS CASTLE SO THAT I MIGHT HIDE FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD-- BECAUSE I FELT I WAS NOT NEEDED! AND YET, BECAUSE OF ME, THE WORLD HAS BEEN SAVED FROM A FANTASTICALLY DANGEROUS MENACE!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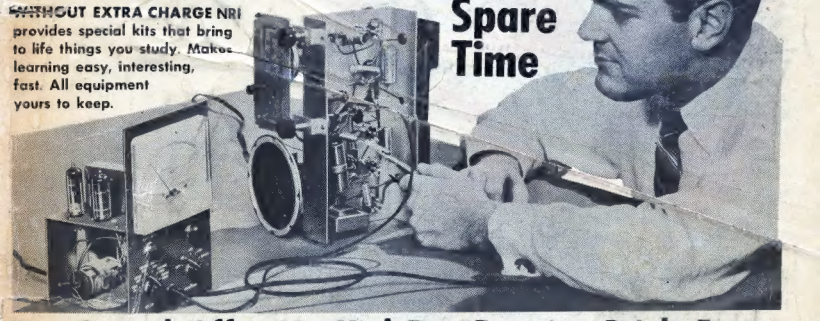

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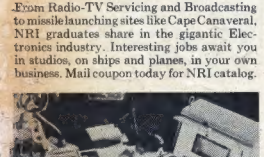

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Some of the people Dorne has helped

Don Smith of New Orleans is an example. A few years ago, he knew nothing about art, even doubted he had talent. Now he is an illustrator with a large advertising agency.

John Busketta is another. He was a pipefitter's helper in a big gas company. Today he still works for the same company, but as an artist in the advertising department, with a big increase in pay.

Harriet Kuzniewski was bored with an "ordinary" job before she heard of Albert Dorne. Today she does high-style fashion illustration in New York.

With the right training, Wanda Pickulski gave up her typing job to become fashion artist for a local department store.

John Whitaker of Memphis was an airline clerk two years ago. Recently he won a national cartooning contest and was signed to do a newspaper comic strip.

Long before Albert Dorne started looking for people who like to draw, they came to him for advice and help. Since he alone could only help a few of these people he called together America's most successful artists – men like Norman Rockwell, Jon Whitcomb, Stevan Dohanos and Al Parker.

A Plan To Help Others

He said: "All over America, there are people who like to draw, who could be turned into good artists. Why can't we give these people the training they need—including all the trade secrets and know-how we've learned over the years? I'm suggesting a new kind of school—a home-study art school that would give talented people the best professional art training, no matter where they live."

The famous artists agreed. Taking time from their busy careers, they spent several years creating a remarkable series of art lessons covering every aspect of drawing and painting. They illustrated their lessons with over 5,000 "here's-how" illustrations. The lessons start from scratch and cover every skill a top artist needs. Finally, the famous artists developed a wonderful way to give each student personal correction and advice all through his training.

Albert Dorne is not surprised by the success of his students. "The art field is growing. We keep getting calls from all over the country, asking us for practical well-trained students who can step into full-time or part-time art jobs."

Famous Artists Talent Test

To find others with art talent worth developing, the famous artists created a 12-page talent test. Thousands paid $1 for this test, but now the School offers it free and will grade it free. If you show talent on the test, you will be eligible for training by the School. No obligation. Simply mail coupon. It might be your first step to an exciting, well-paid career in art.

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Norman Rockwell	Fred Ludekens
Jon Whitcomb	Ben Stahl
Al Parker	Robert Fawcett
Stevan Dohanos	Austin Briggs
Dong Kingman	Harold Von Schmidt
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